

## **REMARKS**

In the Office Action, the Examiner has rejected various claims of the present application on several grounds. However, the Examiner has allowed claims 24 to 28 and has found claim 18 to be allowable if re-written in independent form.

In response, Applicant has hereby cancelled claims 1 to 13, 16 to 18, and 23. Claims 14, 19, and 20 have been amended. New claims 29 to 31 have been added. The total number of claims now pending in this application stands at 14 with one independent claim.

By this amendment, Applicant has cancelled various claims rejected by the Examiner. Independent claim 14 has been amended to include the restrictions of claims 16 to 18. In the result, claim 14 now stands equivalent to original claim 18 if re-written in independent form. As such, and on the basis of the Examiner's comments, it is submitted that claim 14 now stands allowable.

Claim 19 has been amended to depend on claim 14 as currently amended. As such, claim 19, and dependent claims 20 to 22, are now submitted as being allowable.

New dependent claims 29 to 31 have been added to be directed to specific details of the invention as included in the originally filed disclosure. No new matter has been added by this amendment.

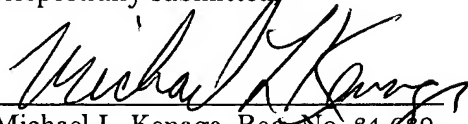
In view of the foregoing, early reconsideration and allowance of the present application is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the rejection of the claims be reconsidered and the application passed to issue.

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